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PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

MS AMENDMENT
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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed July 12, 2004, said period of response being extended from October 12, 2004 to January 12, 2005.

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